

## **Virtual Training Workshop Enhancing Human Security in the Asia Pacific Region**

**1, 2 & 8 September 2021 at 15:00 (KST)**

(Composed of three sessions with scenario exercise)

### **Background**

According to the Palermo Protocol 2000, Trafficking in Persons involves the act of recruiting, transporting, transferring, harbouring or receiving a person through the use of force, coercion or other means, for the purpose of exploitation. Virtually every country – as origin, transit or destination – in the world is affected by human trafficking which inevitably ends up in sexual exploitation, forced labour, servitude, and removal of organs. Men, women and children of all ages can fall into the hands of traffickers in their home countries and abroad.

The whole world is on the same page in the fight against human trafficking, calling for enhanced global response to modern slavery and concerted efforts to eradicate the crime. Despite the progress made so far, however, the human trafficking crime is becoming more and more complex, taking place in a wide array of contexts and thus hard to identify the victims and the perpetrators as well. Besides, since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, trafficking in persons has become even further clandestine, making it more difficult to figure out the scale of the crime, recruitment and exploitation.<sup>1</sup>

If we were able to observe human trafficking like light passing through a prism, we would identify a varied version of the crime in different contexts which is basically the same in essence even in the pandemic context. This multifaceted criminal activity has been challenging policy makers all over the world. Importantly, the way authorities understand human trafficking has a strong impact on how frontline organizations implement the anti-trafficking response during the pandemic crisis. When they have a better and more precise understanding of what key elements the crime has, they can be better equipped to identify human trafficking incidents for the victim protection, prosecution of cases and prevention of the crime regardless of whatever technique the traffickers deploy. Combatting human trafficking also requires concerted efforts of different actors such as government agencies (law enforcement and the judiciary), NGOs, and international organizations. This means that it is vital to establish the well-designed referral mechanism at all levels among stakeholders to effectively coordinate anti-trafficking activities.

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<sup>1</sup> United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), *The effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on trafficking in persons and responses to the challenges – A global study of emerging evidence*, July 2021, available at: <https://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/human-trafficking/Webstories2021/the-impact-of-the-pandemic-on-human-trafficking.html>

With these challenges for anti-trafficking in mind, UNITAR CIFAL Jeju and RSO of the Bali Process co-organise a virtual training workshop to facilitate the understanding of the concept of human security and human trafficking, and the 3 Ps (Protection, Prosecution, and Prevention) with practical scenario exercises. The event will finally help the invited participants share best practices and lessons learned along with professional inputs from the experts in the area of human security. Based on the shared knowledge, the participants will be able to develop a viable and practical action plan to attain some specific objectives as a way to contribute to addressing human trafficking in their respective countries.

### **Event objectives**

This capacity building training workshop will:

- demonstrate the concept of human security, its linkage with human trafficking, and the victim-centered approach to addressing trafficking in persons;
- explain the concept of 3Ps(Protection, Prosecution, and Prevention) and apply the standards in identifying, assisting and protecting victims of trafficking; and
- promote information sharing and exchange of best practices between government, CSOs and NGO actors

### **Expected outcomes**

By the end of the training, participants will be able to:

- understand the basic concepts related to trafficking in persons and the difference between human trafficking and human smuggling, forced labor and other related exploitation;
- have increased awareness on human security and human trafficking, especially relating to vulnerable cohorts such as women and children in the region;
- identify key challenges and recognise best practices and lessons learned to address human trafficking, as well as policy measures to enhance human security at the local and national levels; and
- build professional networks, and exchange relevant information and knowledge.

### **Content and structure**

The workshop contents are composed of the followings:

- Module 1. Recent efforts and discourse in anti-trafficking activities
- Module 2. The 3P paradigm – addressing trafficking in persons
- Module 3. Identifying, protecting, and assisting victims of trafficking
- Module 4. Prosecution of human trafficking crime
- Module 5. The fourth P: partnership and international cooperation
- Module 6. Group presentation with interactive discussion

## Methodology

The training will be comprised of:

- lectures and presentations by experts in relevant fields
- practical exercises and group discussion
- case study presentation & individual assignment

\* *All the sessions will be delivered using the Zoom platform.*

## Target audience

This training is mainly open to government officials and other related personnel from NGOs, civil societies and institutions who directly work with the victims of trafficking in the Asia Pacific region.

## Requirements

Selected participants are required to:

- submit assignments on time - e.g. case study in PPT format, action plan
- actively participate in the training program
- be fluent in written and spoken English

## Application and deadline

- Please apply by **24 August 2021 (Tuesday)** through the following link, <https://shorturl.at/alk58> or scan the QR code on the right side.



\*Kindly note that **only selected applicants** will be notified individually.

\*The participants should **submit a case study by 15:00 (KST) Friday, 27 August, 2021** – guidelines for case study submission will be shared along with the selection outcome.

## Organizer

UNITAR CIFAL Jeju/Jeju International Training Center  
Regional Support Office of the Bali Process

## Certificate

- **A Certificate of Completion** will be awarded to *those who have completed three online sessions and fulfilled the required tasks for the program – e.g. group discussion, presentation on case studies, and submission of action plan*
- A certificate will be jointly issued by UNITAR, UNITAR CIFAL Jeju, and RSO of the Bali Process.

## Benefit

- **Three best action plans** *will be selected after the workshop and those with the best action plan will be invited to another human security-related online workshop in the foreseeable future as presenters to share his/her own action plan.*
- **Once selected and invited as a presenter**, he/she will be rewarded for knowledge sharing with an honorarium **in compliance with the regulations of UNITAR CIFAL Jeju/JITC.**